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Madison County Electoral Board

Minutes of the February 6, 2018 Electoral Board Meeting-

Attendees: Electoral Board Members Beth Eddins , Chair, Susanna Spencer, Vice-Chair, Bonita Burr, Secretary , General Registrar, Diana Eanes, Madison Republican Party Chair, Bill Harvill

**The Minutes of the September 5, 2017 and November 7, 2017** Electoral Board Meetings were read and approved.

**Vice-Chair Susanna Spencer moved to convene in closed session, seconded by Beth Eddins, Chair, to discuss a voter complaint received from the Nov 7, 2017 election.**

The meeting room was closed. Once the subject was discussed, **Beth Eddins moved that the closed session had concluded and polled the attendees to ensure that the only matter discussed was the above-mentioned voter complaint and that the meeting be reopened. It was seconded by Susanna Spencer.**

**Appointment and reappointment of Election officials for a 3-year term beginning March 1, 2018.**

Current election officials have received the reappointment paperwork. Not all have responded, we will send them a reminder. Three have resigned. 7 new applicants for election official were received and appointed. The 2018 Election Official list will be updated by the next meeting.

**Review of comments from Election Officials regarding the new equipment.** All comments were reviewed and will be taken into account in the next training session and in the appropriate procedural documents.

**Electoral Board Budget for 2018/19** The budget proposal was made to the BOS on Feb 1. The budget included additional expenses related to the new voting equipment. The amount was higher than usual. We explained that a lot of this new and we may not need all the money, in which case it will revert to the county.

Ballot collection bags were purchased for the 3 largest precincts. If they work well we will offer them to the other precincts. One Printer carrying bag will be ordered to see if it fits properly before we order all of them.

The Electoral Board responded to a survey from the Disability Law Center.

The Board discussed the protocol for Public Comments at the Electoral Board meetings. It was agreed that Public Comment will be made available at the end of the meeting and will be limited to 2 minutes per person with a comment pertinent to Electoral Board activities.

The next meeting will be held on March 8 (change made after the meeting) at 10 am to elect Electoral Board Officers for this year. We will also discuss the rules and roles for Election Day observers.

Finally, the Board discussed the upcoming recognition event for Election Officials. It will be held on March 4 at Graves Mill Chapel from 3-5. Randall Lillard is retiring after 45 years of working at the polls. Other election officials with many years of service will also be recognized.

Bonita Burr  
Secretary